

FIG. 1A

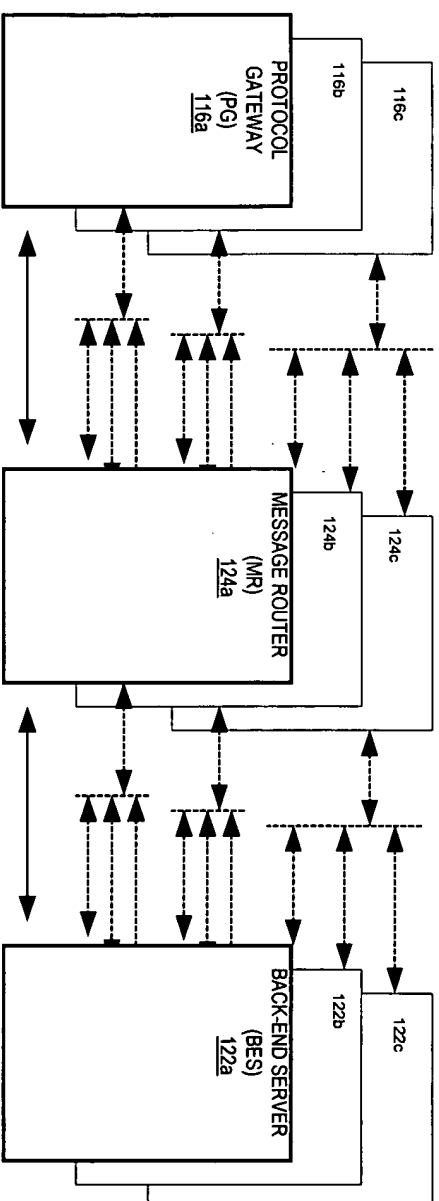
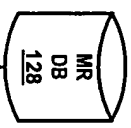
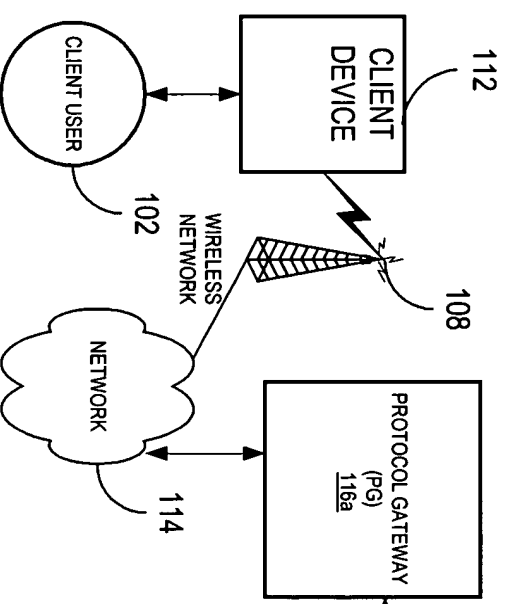


FIG. 1B

UNIQUE MESSAGE KEY  
INCLUDES:  
SERVER ID,  
SERVICE TYPE, AND  
MESSAGE TYPE



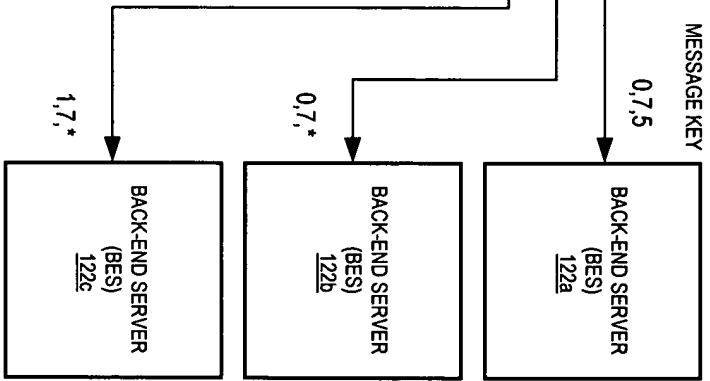
DURING DISCOVERY SERVICES/REGISTRATION EACH BES  
REGISTERS:  
SERVER ID,  
SERVICE TYPE, AND  
MESSAGE TYPE  
SUPPORTED BY EACH BES  
ROUTING BASED ON CONTENT INSTEAD OF ADDRESS

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ROUTES TO LEAST  
RECENTLY USED MR  
ROUTES TO LEAST  
RECENTLY USED PG

MESSAGE ROUTER  
(MR)  
124a  
ROUTES TO MOST  
SPECIFIC BES  
CORRESPONDING TO  
MESSAGE KEY

ROUND-ROBIN,  
LOAD BALANCING  
AND/OR  
REDUNDANCY



ONLY ONE BES WILL HAVE A  
SPECIFIC SERVER ID AND  
SERVICE TYPE COMBINATION  
THE ONLY SERVER ID THAT  
CAN BE SHARED IS ZERO (0)

FIG. 1C

FIG. 1D is a block diagram of a system architecture for a networked environment.

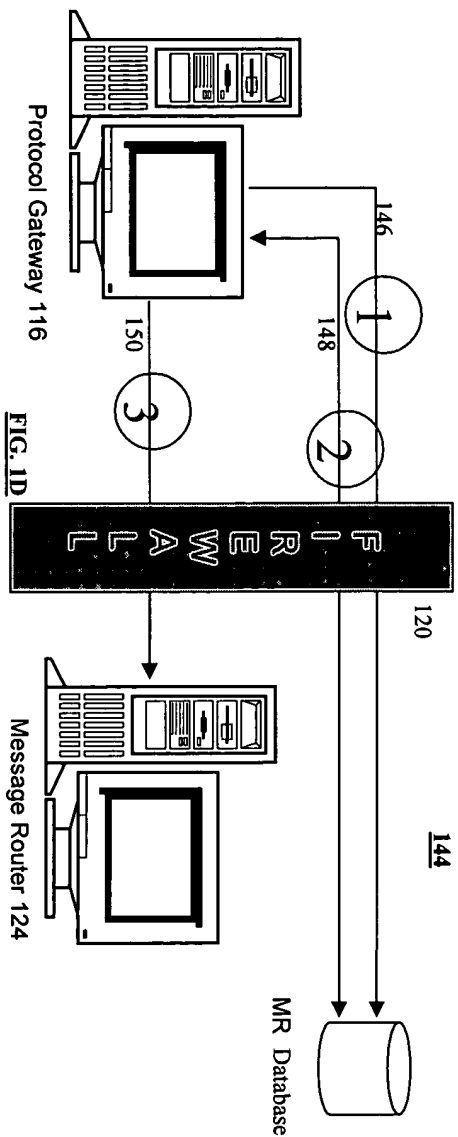


FIG. 1E is a block diagram of a system architecture for a message router. The system includes an MR Database 128, a Message Router 124, a Back End Server 122, and a Protocol Gateway 116. The MR Database 128 is connected to the Message Router 124 via a bidirectional connection 154. The Message Router 124 is connected to the Back End Server 122 via a bidirectional connection 160. The Message Router 124 is also connected to the Protocol Gateway 116 via a bidirectional connection 158. The Message Router 124 is further connected to a set of three overlapping circles 156, which are connected to the MR Database 128 via a bidirectional connection 154. The Message Router 124 is also connected to a set of three overlapping circles 158, which are connected to the Protocol Gateway 116 via a bidirectional connection 158.

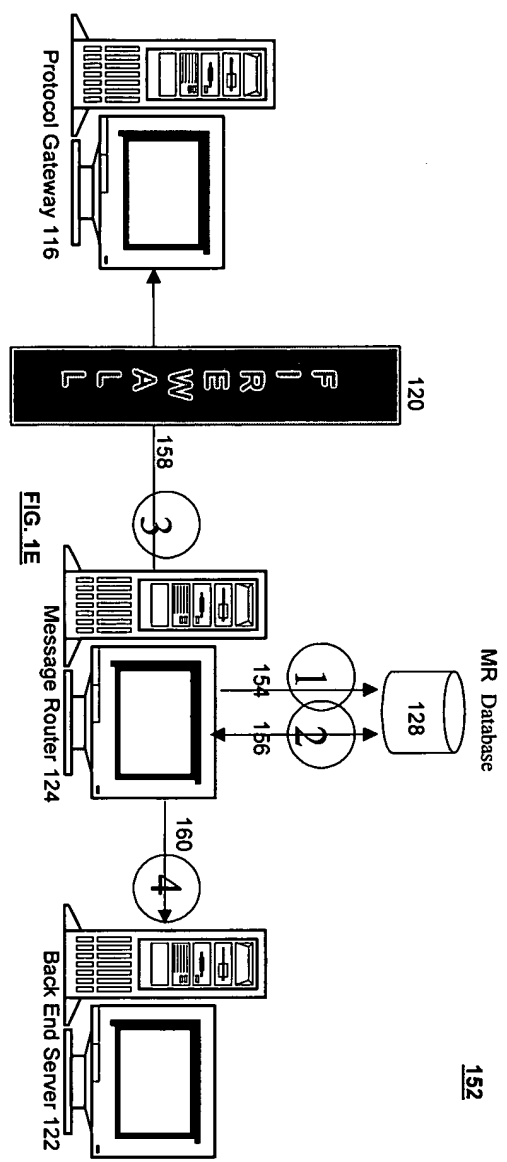
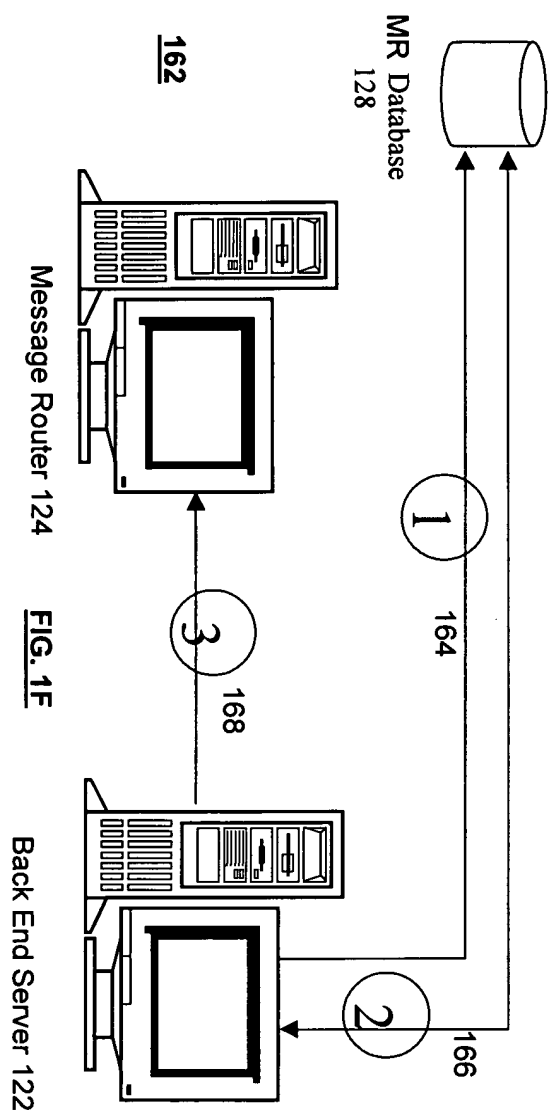


FIG. 1E

FIG. 1F is a block diagram of a system architecture showing the interaction between a Message Router 124 and a Back End Server 122.



**FIG. 1F**

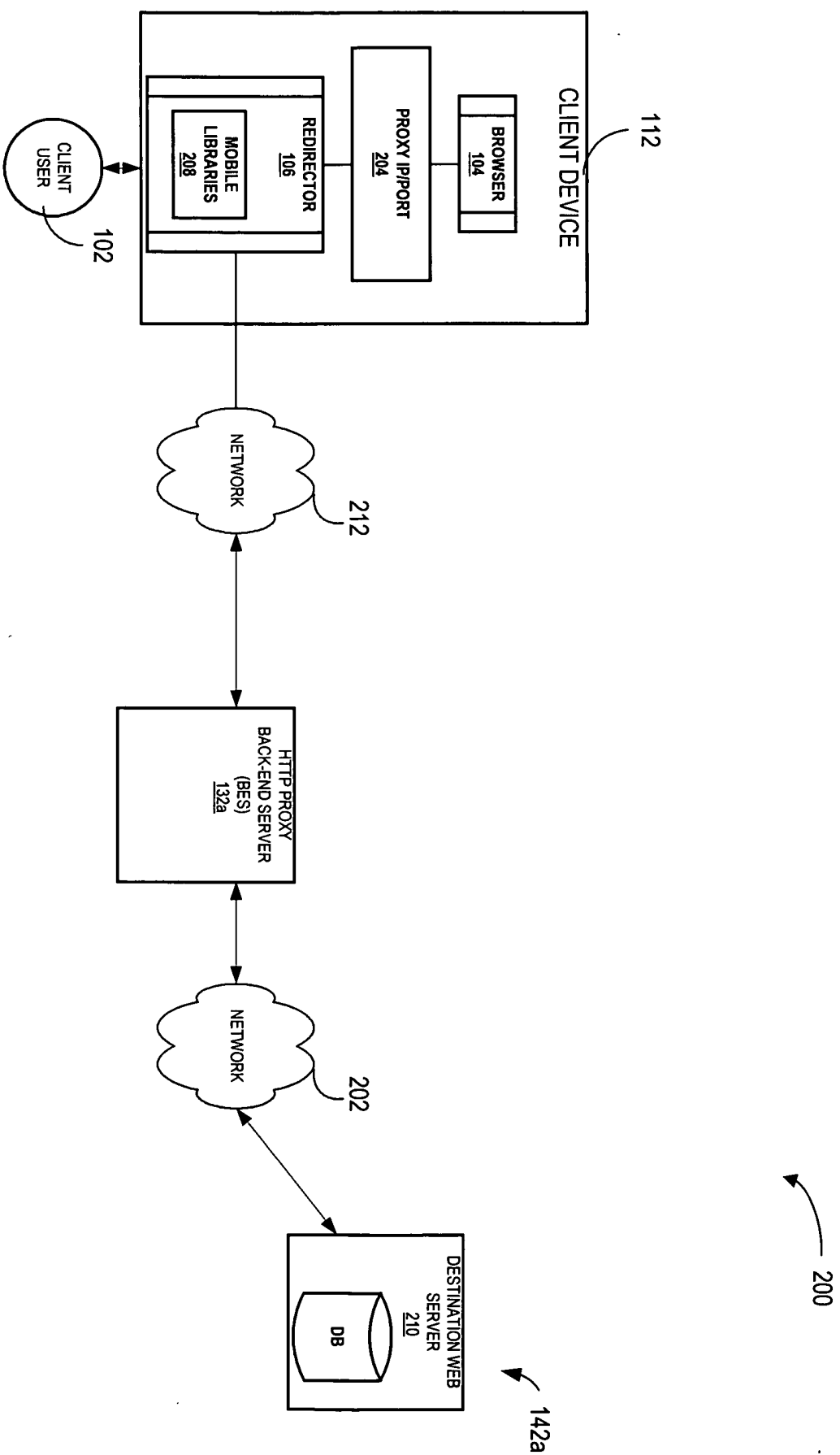


FIG. 2

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FIG. 3 is a block diagram of a network architecture 300, in accordance with an embodiment of the present invention. The network architecture 300 includes a network layer 306, an applications layer 302, and a simple network transport layer (SNTL) 304.

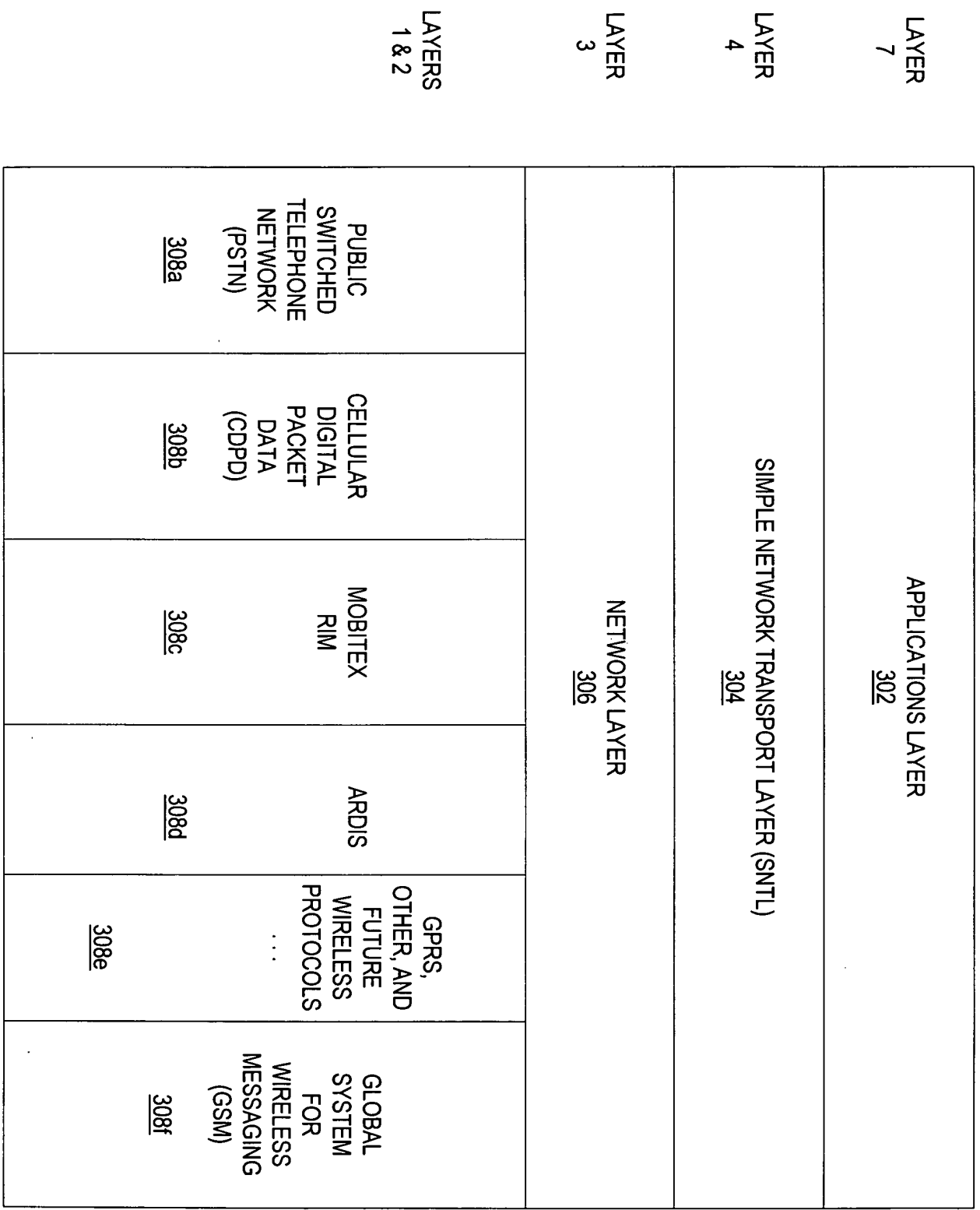
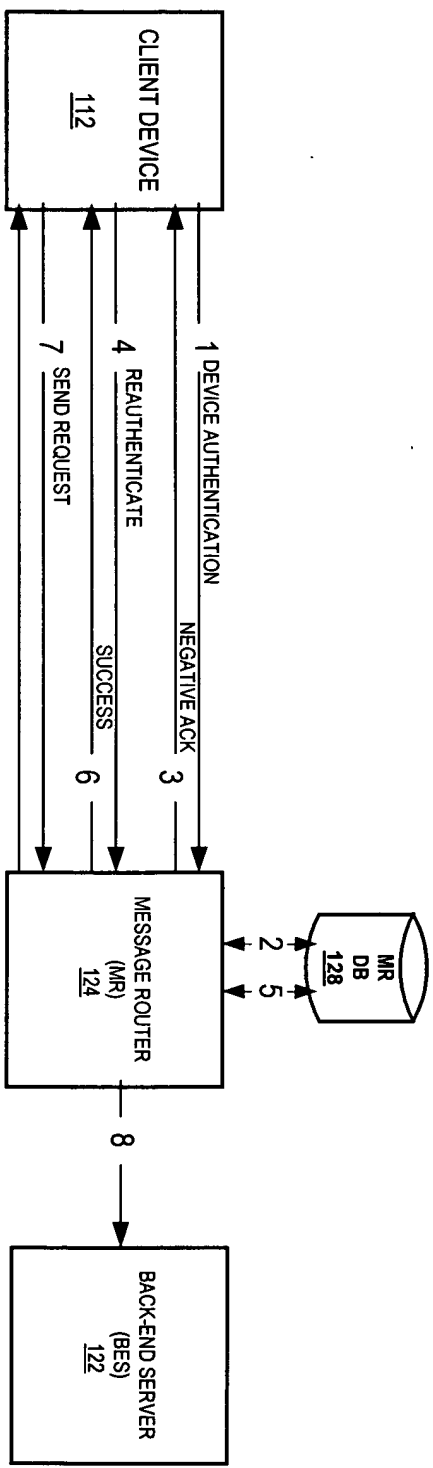


FIG. 3



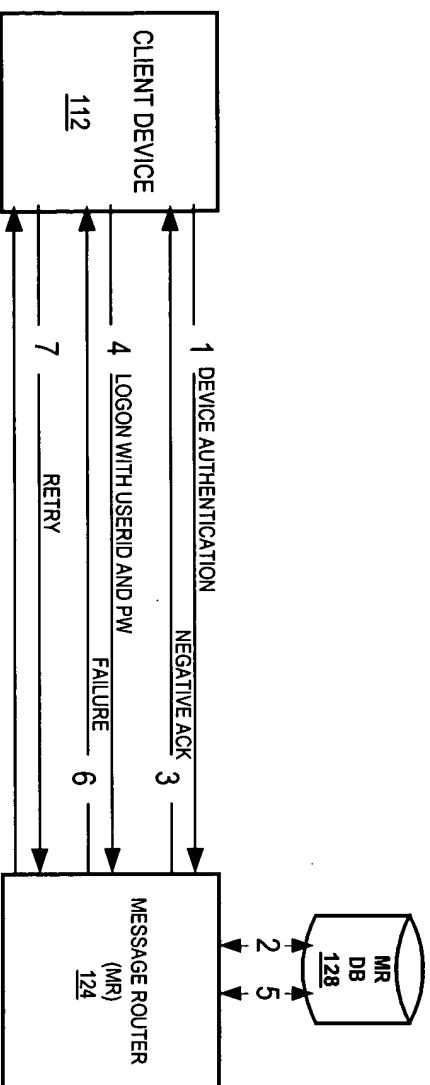
FIG. 4 is a sequence diagram illustrating a device authentication process.



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FIG. 4

FIG. 5 is a sequence diagram illustrating a device authentication process.



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FIG. 5

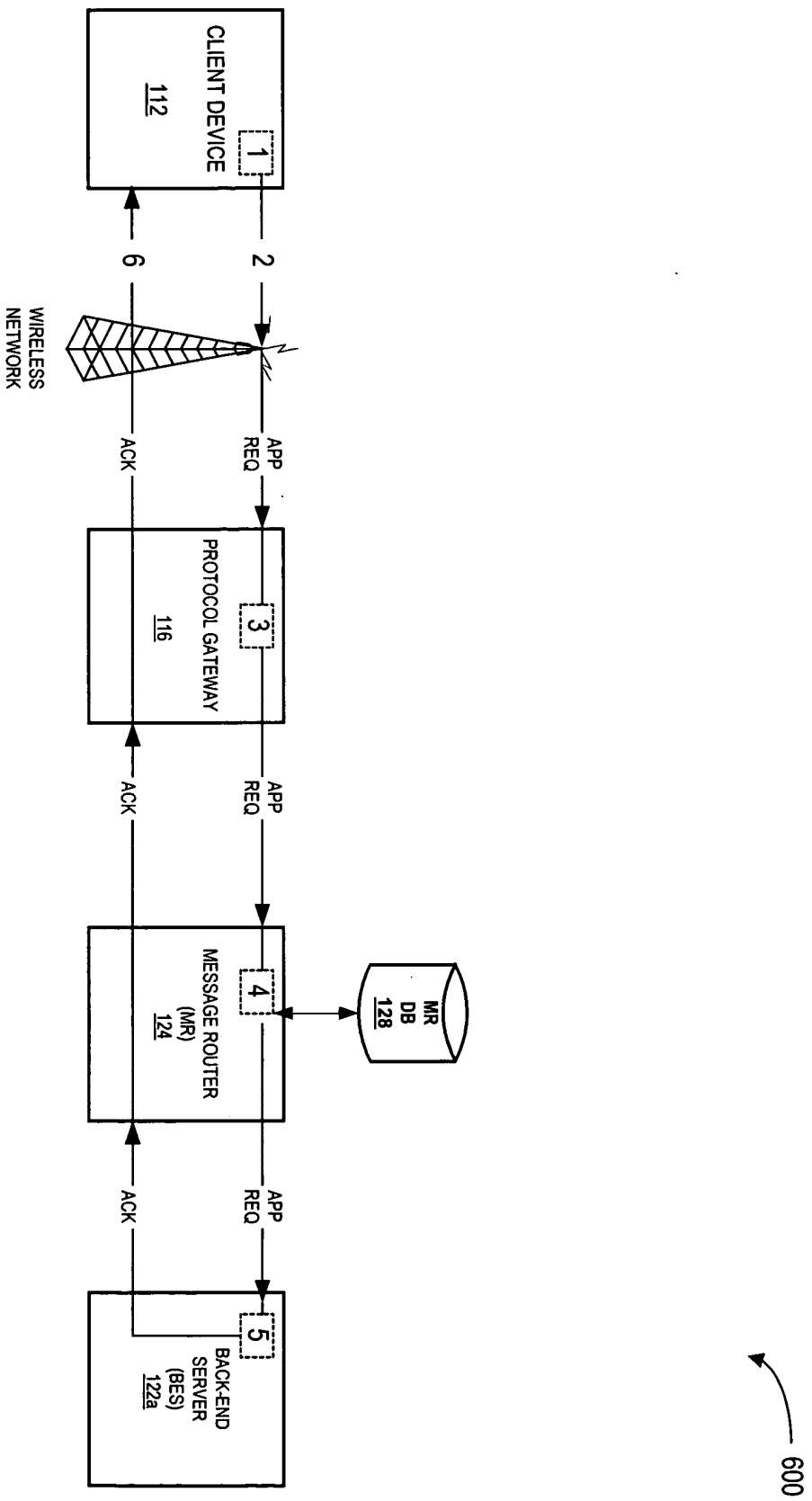
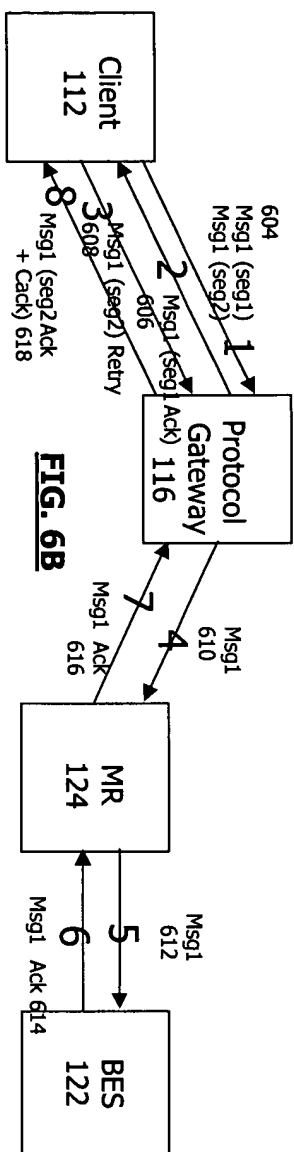


FIG. 6A

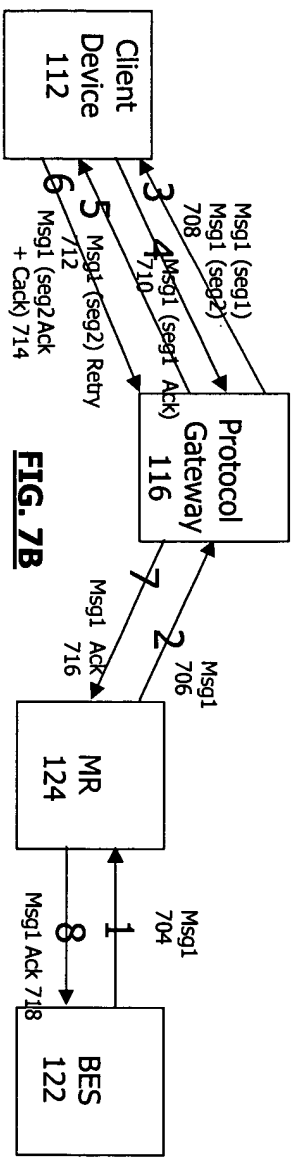
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**FIG. 6B**



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**FIG. 7B**

FIG. 8A

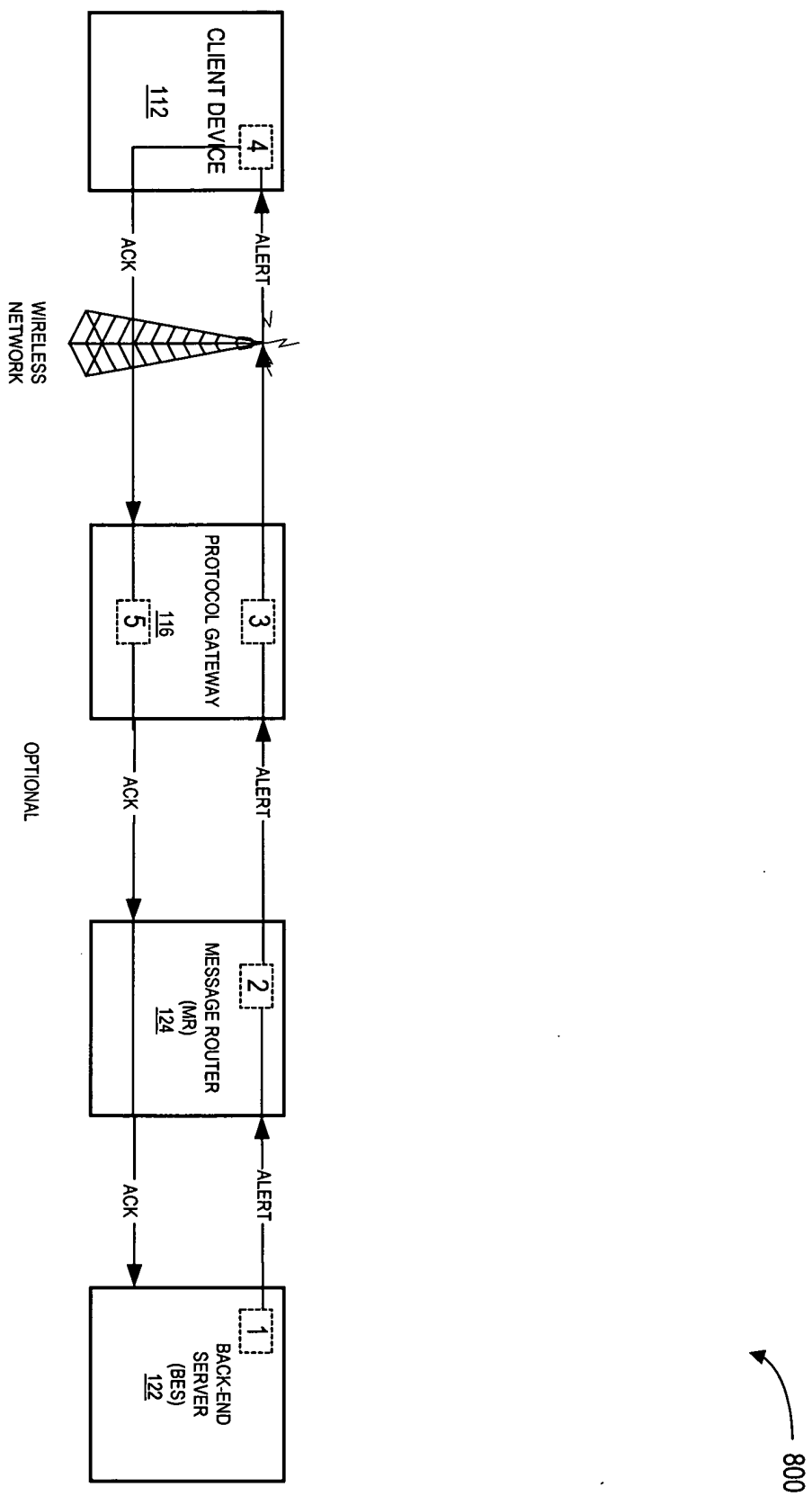
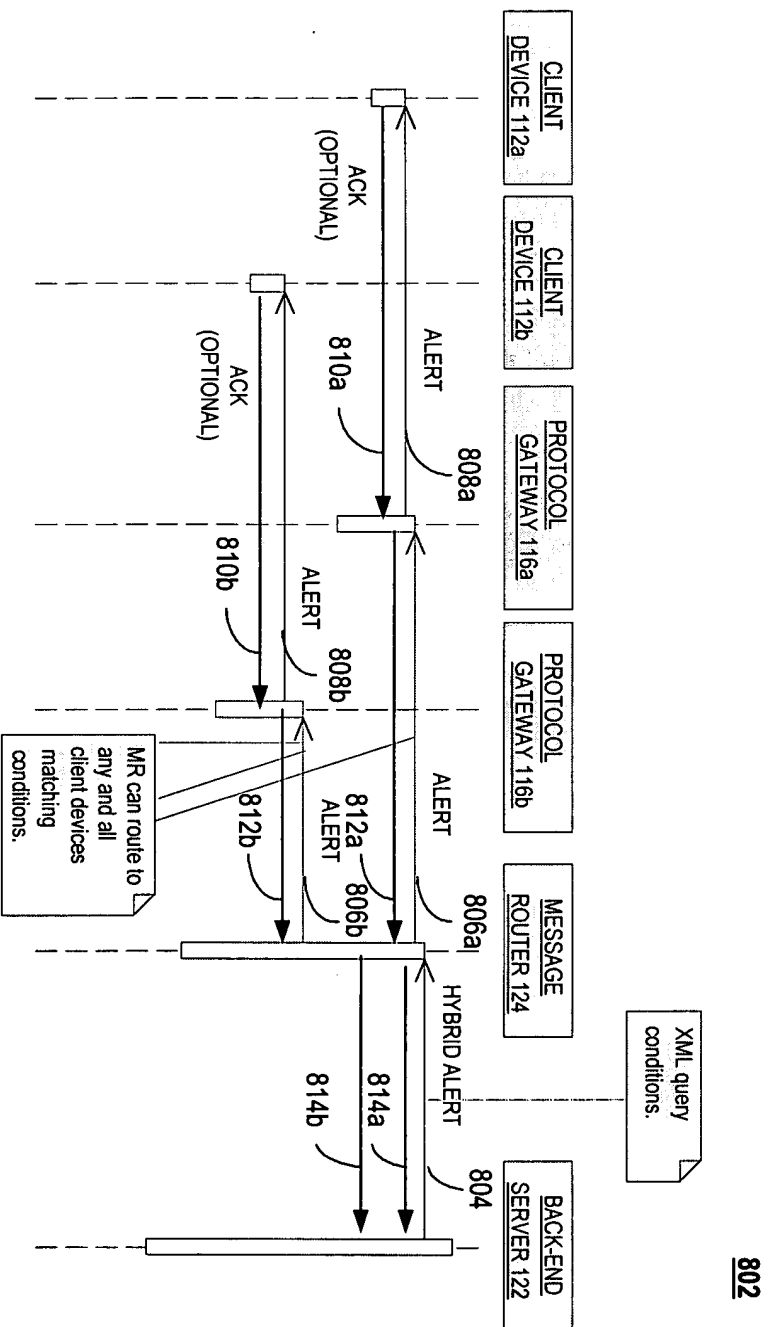


FIG. 8A





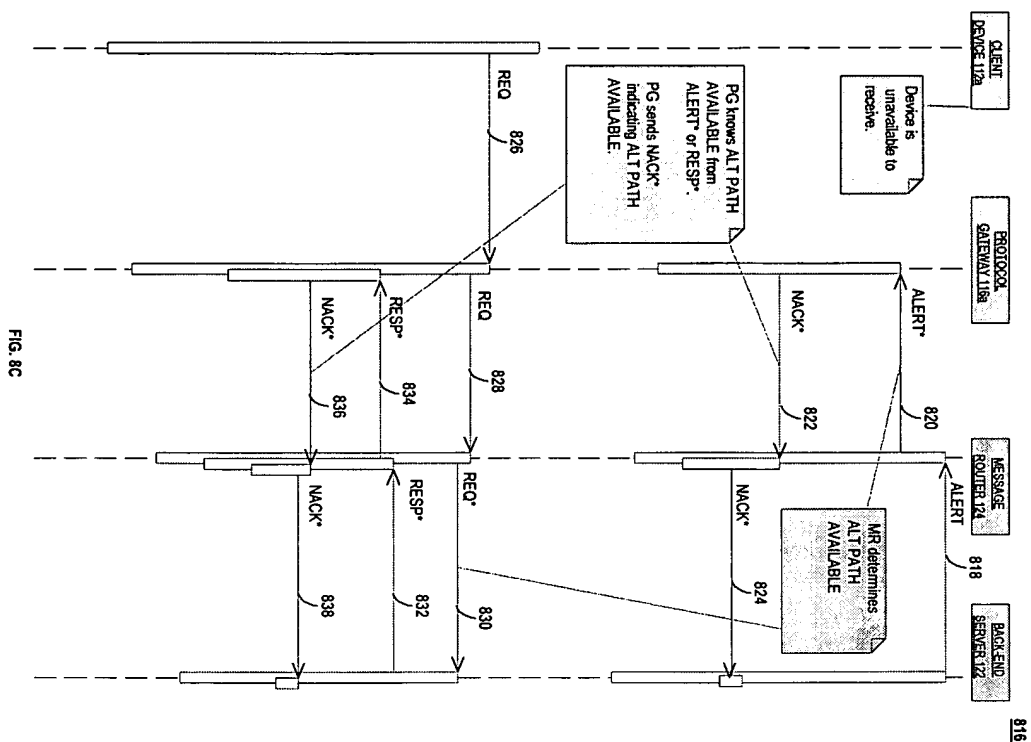


FIG. 8C

FIG. 9 is a block diagram of an exemplary segment header 900. The segment header 900 includes a VER field 902, a MESSAGE ID field 904, a FLAGS field 906, and a TOTAL LENGTH field 908. The VER field 902 is 2 bits long, the MESSAGE ID field 904 is 8 bits long, the FLAGS field 906 is 15 bits long, and the TOTAL LENGTH field 908 is 20 bits long. The segment header 900 is followed by a SEGMENT # field 910.

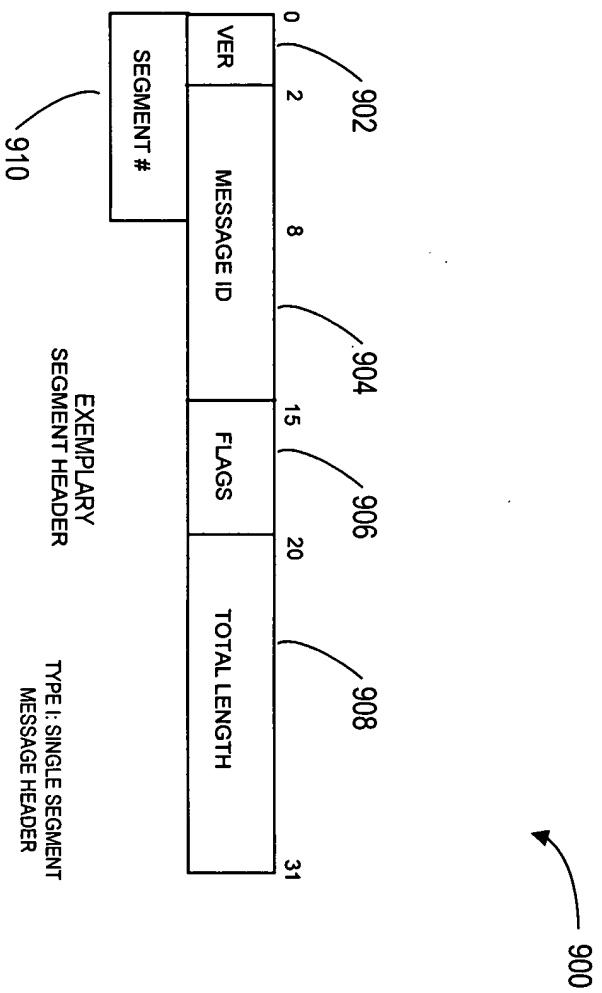


FIG. 9